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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)  
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
PCT/US2003/009441

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
27 MARCH 2003

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
29 MARCH 2002

**TITLE OF INVENTION**

METHOD FOR INHIBITING DIFFERENTIATION AND FORMATION OF CONIFEROPHYTA MALE FLOWER BY  
TREATMENT WITH PROHEXADIONE COMPOUNDS

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US  
HOMMA, ET AL.

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:  
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1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(1).
4. ☒ A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☐ is transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☒ has been transmitted by the International Bureau. (See Form PCT/IB/308)
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
  - a. ☐ are transmitted herewith (required only if not transmitted by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been transmitted by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
9. ☒ An executed Declaration and Power of Attorney (original or copy) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included.

11. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☐ A FIRST preliminary amendment.  
☐ A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ A substitute specification.
15. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
16. ☒ Other items or information: Credit Card Payment Form

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17. ☒ The following fees are submitted:

**BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a) (1)-(5)):**

**Search Report has been prepared by the EPO or JPO . . . . . \$890**

International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)	\$710
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No international preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482)	
but international search fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)).....	\$740

Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO.....	\$1,040
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International preliminary examination fee paid to USPTO (37 CFR 1.482) and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(2)-(4). . . . .	\$100
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**ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =**

**CALCULATIONS** PTO USE ONLY

Surcharge of \$130 for furnishing the oath of declaration later than ☐ 20 ☐ 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).

CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED		NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	
Total claims	10	- 20 =	0	X	\$ 18

Independent claims	1	- 3 =	0	X	\$	84
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MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)	+	\$	280
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**TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =**

Reduction of 1/2 for filing by small entity, if applicable. Verified Small Entity Statement must also be filed (Note 37 CFR 1.9, 1.27, 1.28).

**SUBTOTAL =**

Processing fee of **\$130** for furnishing the English translation later than ☐ 20 ☐ 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). +

**TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =**

Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). **\$40** per property +

**TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =**

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a. ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the above fees is enclosed.

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**NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.**

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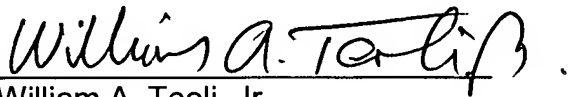
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Respectfully submitted,  
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